



GOOD MORNING SAINTS

Golden Nugget

A CUP OF COLD WATER


"If any one gives a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he will certainly not lose his reward."

(Matthew 10:42)

Cups of cold water. Have you handed any out lately? Has anyone handed a cup of cold water to you lately? God delights more in the little spontaneous acts of discipleship than in all our high minded, complicated theological prognostications. If you believe living "in service" to God involves only vast global majestic efforts, you will fail to grasp the ways each day we have to give cups of cold water.

A cup of cold water is more than just H₂O in a Dixie cup. A cup of cold water can be a word of encouragement, a prayer, a touch on the shoulder, a simple "I'm sorry," a comment like "You look wonderful today!" or "I'm glad you're here!" It can be buying someone lunch, letting someone else have a parking place, a flower or note to a friend. These are not small things in the impact they can have on someone's day.

A CUP OF COLD WATER IS WHATEVER YOU CAN DO. That's right, folks, we're all different. We have different personalities. Some do certain things better than others. God has equipped us all with ways to give cups of cold water. Maybe you can write notes, make phone calls, or give heartfelt compliments. Maybe you can drive someone to church or the hospital. Maybe you can help in the nursery at church. There are a million ways to serve, many of which are easily within your talents and God given capabilities to perform.



Please do not mistake me; I'm not talking about the many empty activities and lip service we do to make ourselves noticed. I'm talking about that simple gesture that can make a profound and meaningful difference in someone else's life.

God has equipped us all with ways to give cups of cold water. This message is my way of giving you a cup of cold water.

Will you join me in finding your own special way of telling people, "For all you do, this H₂O is for you!"